

## ACTUAL WORK ON BIG PIER

Army Engineers Stake Off the Lines for the Landing at Jamestown.

## AN ADVANCE OF WAGES

The Norfolk and Portsmouth Traction Company Increase Pay of Men.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
NORFOLK, Va., Nov. 10.—The first step toward the actual construction of the great pier to be erected by the government at the Jamestown Exposition was taken this morning, when United States Army Engineers Elliott and Harrison, from the department at Washington, took the levels and staked off the lines of the structure. The piling will be laid Monday or Tuesday, and the work will then be pushed to completion. At the office of Reed and Company, the contractors for the building of the pier, it was said this morning that the plan to be used in the construction had been adopted from Philadelphia and would arrive in Norfolk this afternoon. This plan consists of derricks, small steam engines, and trucks upon which the material will be loaded to whatever point is needed, and other appliances that are necessary for such an undertaking.

Much of the material to be used in constructing the pier is already on the way to Norfolk, and the crossing of the river is being done. It is expected that by the end of next week the work will have progressed materially, and the contractors declare it will be completed in time for opening of the exposition.

Lieutenant Hunt, who is in charge of the construction of the pier in behalf of the government, was in Norfolk a few days ago, inspecting the exposition site and considering the plans, and upon his return to Washington sent his assistants, Lieutenants Elliott and Harrison, to lay out the lines, so that the contractors may begin work.

In line with other big corporations in the country and trading in this section, the Norfolk and Portsmouth Traction Company has announced a general advance in wages affecting all of its several hundred men.

All men who have served the company for two years or more will receive an advance of 20 per cent., or an increase of from 15 cents to 18 cents an hour. Men who have served one year, will receive 15 cents until the end of the second year. The second six months of the first year's service, they will receive 16 cents, and for first six months 15

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cents, which is how the flat rate of pay for the men. The 20 per cent. increase will go into effect January 1st; the other immediately.

The increase applies to the men on all divisions of the Norfolk and Portsmouth Traction Company, in Norfolk and Portsmouth, and on the lines running out of the two cities. The men, needless to say, are heartily gratified with the action of the management of the Traction Company in increasing their wages.

The men will continue to receive two suits of clothes each a year, as heretofore.

As most of the men in the employ of the company have been in its service for two years or more, most of them will enjoy the 20 per cent. increase as soon as it goes into effect.

The business of the company has been good, and its management, recognizing that the cost of living has considerably increased, was willing that the employees should reap a portion of the profits.

## DR. M'BRYDE'S SALARY.

Some Confusion as to What Presidency of V. P. I. Pays.

It has been several times stated in print that the salary of Dr. John M. Bryde as president of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute, amounts to something like \$7,000 per year.

This is clearly a mistake, and it is stated by one of the members of the board of visitors that it is just \$2,000 less.

"Dr. M'Bryde gets \$5,000 per year, and a house, no more and no less," said Mr. H. M. Smith, of this city, who is a member of the board.

"There are absolutely no perquisites to the place," he continued, "and you can readily see that this is not \$7,000 by any means."

"Knowing this to be the exact salary paid the president of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute, I think it should be stated, so as to set the public mind straight on the subject."

## WINS SCHOLARSHIP.

Miss Reinhardt Goes to Peabody Institute in Baltimore.

Mrs. Anita Heinek Lloyd is having an unusually large class this season, and is kept busy training voices for church choirs and concerts. Her pupil, Miss Reinhardt, won a scholarship to the Peabody Institute in Baltimore, after having studied with Mrs. Lloyd a little over a year. Miss Reinhardt, who has been with her about a year and a half, just succeeded in obtaining a three-year's free scholarship at the Peabody Institute, Baltimore, amongst over fifty applicants.

Mrs. Lloyd will place her pupils before invited audiences at her studios on Franklin Street, and will give public concerts with her class.

## MANY TO EXHIBIT.

Richmond Manufacturers Have Taken 11,000 Feet of Space.

Richmond manufacturers seem rapidly to be falling into the idea of exhibiting their wares and products at the Jamestown Exposition, and of the 25,000 square feet of floor space contracted for, 11,000 feet have already been taken up by the Virginia Manufacturers' Building. It is hardly very probable that there will be necessity for securing more space. Secretary Dunlop, of the Chamber of Commerce, is doing good work in canvassing for exhibits, and his efforts are meeting with great success.

## SUPREME COURT.

Opinions to Be Handed Down Next Thursday.

The Supreme Court of Appeals will open its regular fall session Tuesday morning next at 10 o'clock. All the judges are expected to be present on the first day. One of the leading dockets of recent years will confront the court.

It is understood that a number of decisions in cases that have been pending and have been argued have been prepared and will be ready for delivery next Thursday, the first opinion day of the term.

## Celebrate Anniversary.

One of the most pleasant entertainments of the season was given Friday evening, when Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Williams held a reception in honor of their twentieth anniversary of their marriage. The parlors and dining-room were beautifully decorated in palms and ferns, and the color scheme being pink and green. The hostess was assisted in receiving by her daughter, Miss Louise Williams, who entertained the guests with several musical selections, both vocal and instrumental. The guests spent a most pleasant evening, after which supper was served. Mr. and Mrs. Williams were surrounded by many relatives and a host of friends. The presents were both numerous and handsome.

## Clearing-House Statement.

NEW YORK, November 10.—The statement of clearing house banks for the week (five days) shows that the banks received \$1,511,125 less than the legal reserve requirements. This is a decrease of \$2,267,900 as compared with last week. The statement follows:

Loans, \$1,045,000,000; decrease, \$2,270,700.	Deposits, \$288,745,000; decrease, \$17,000,000.
Reserve, \$248,174,000; decrease, \$8,821,300.	Circulation, \$50,544,000; increase, \$1,319,700.
Legal tenders, \$66,571,000; decrease, \$2, 082,000.	Notes, \$17,703,400; decrease, \$5,208,100.
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## UNSPEAKABLE ED RETURNS TO JAIL

Gave Wife Forty Cents for House Rent and Borrowed Twenty Back.

## TARS DIDN'T LIKE FOOD

Complained to Justice That Prison Fare Would Not Satisfy Appetite.

Eddie Prayner, a negro, got out of jail on Thursday. He ambled up the street until he reached the domicile of "de ole 'oman," and then he proceeded to chaff his big ole half. A policeman was called, and Eddie was again taken in tow. Back to a cell at the police station he was hustled, and in the front row of the prisoners in Police Court yesterday morning, sat the smiling and unblushable Eddie Prayner.

"What have you done now?" exclaimed the One John.

"Ah, des got out er jail," put in Eddie, who looked a little crestfallen about the transference.

"He up en him's me side de haid," ejaculated the "ole 'oman."

"And just got out of jail yesterday? Nigger, you ought to be hung. What did you beat de 'oman for?" The words came from the man who sits in the revolving chair.

"She throwd it up to me er 'bout being er jailbird, en I des teched her er little," answered Prayner.

## Borrowed It Back.

"He have give me forty cents in de last two months, en he borrowed twenty cents er dat back from me. He are er telling nigger, en I des not desire his acquaintance in de future," vociferated the woman who has been the meal ticket for Prayner.

"For de period of three months—pinety days, if it's clearer—you are going to remain by de still waters of de placid stream known as de Shockoe. May your dreams ever be pleasant, and may you resolve a few resolutions about de wrongs perpetrated upon femininity by de masculine sex." The poetic and a la Pikes statement was issued by the March of the Great White Chamber.

Turning on his heel, with the assistance of the gallant Robins, Prayner pointed his head-gear in the direction of the pen. In front of which are a few iron streaks that prevent access and hold negroes.

"Ay, say, Malindy, could yer len' me fifteen cents to buy some terbaccer while Ah'm in de jail?"

He was speaking to the woman whom he had chastised. He was asking for the rest of that forty cents that he paid to help along with the rent and other bills. The interest on the half that he had not borrowed did not amount to the sum asked for by Prayner, and he went to the pen.

## Other Things.

James Gibbs, a negro, sold some meat on the Sabbath. For this he was separated from \$2.50 that he had collected for the tenderloins, the strikers and the hologna sausages. Four policemen caught him and there was nothing to do but plead guilty.

J. A. Wherry, R. M. Slater and Charles Ford, "Johnnies" from the great blue sea, wanted a taste of terra firma, and they "biked" it to Richmond, where the land is the most beautiful and the sea is so attractive. They were hauled off by a bluecoat and made to walk the plank to the jail, where they remained until yesterday morning to be tried.

Again was the order that they should remain below deck until next Wednesday. "But the food ain't good down there. The lubbers don't give us what we are used to. By the spirit of Davy Jones, I only get two meals a day, and that don't satisfy me appetite," said the Irish one of the trio.

J. W. Seawell, for running an automobile faster than the law allows, as testified by Officer Ames, will tell about it at a later day. He said that his machine was in the shop, and that exactly a mistake in the numbers had been made.

But A. S. Pope was fined \$20 for speeding at the rate of twenty-seven miles an hour in his benzine-buzzing buggy. Officer Ames used his cyclometer.

A crowd of youngsters who were singing at Twenty-eighth and O Streets were so disagreeable that a warrant was sworn out against them. They were told by the justice, who once before had been a boy, to go and sing no more.

The case of W. M. Hundley, charged with passing bogus checks, was continued until next Wednesday.

## METHODISTS MEET IN PORTSMOUTH

(Continued from First Page.)

two to meet the needs of its ever-increasing congregation.

Monumental Church is known as the "Mother Church," because, in 1843, with a membership of five hundred, it built Gosport Chapel, now Wright Memorial Church. In 1853, with a membership of seven hundred, the old "Mother" gave birth to Wesley Chapel, now Central Methodist Church. In 1887 Monumental Church, in 1887, the building of the Owens Memorial Church, and in 1902, she established Park View Methodist Church. Though all of these churches have come out of Monumental, she has now a membership of eight hundred and nineteen—the largest in her history. The pulpit of Monumental has been filled by some of the greatest preachers of American Methodism, among whom were Francis Asbury, William McKendree, Richard Whatcoat and John Early, who were elected bishops of the church. The Rev. J. W. Latham, the present pastor, and the staff of the conference, is maintaining the high standard set by his long line

## To Present Loving Cup.

The Rev. Paul Whitehead, D. D., who has been elected secretary of the conference consecutively for fifty years, will undoubtedly be elected again for the fifty-first year. He was first elected assistant secretary to the Rev. J. D. Coulting in Richmond in 1856. A very pleasant feature of the conference will be the presentation of a "loving cup" to Dr. Whitehead as a testimonial of the love and esteem in which he is held by his brethren and in grateful recognition of his long and distinguished service as secretary.

The reports of the 24 charges within the bounds of the conference will show very gratifying results. From time to time during the year the preachers have reported great revivals of religion on their stations and circuits, and many souls have been converted from the world unto Christ. The financial reports will show gains for the work of the church. Old church debts have been paid in many places, new churches have been built and in any of the larger churches, and what the conference needs is young men to take the smaller works.

The question of organizing an institute at Culpeper, and incorporating it in the Randolph-Macon system, will be before the body for consideration. The citizens of Culpeper county and Courthouse have purchased a beautiful site of forty acres and raised \$15,000 for the school, and offered it to the trustees of Randolph-

year, viz., Revs. J. Powell Garland D. D.; R. M. Compton, T. H. Campbell, J. W. Crider, J. M. Anderson, T. B. Leitch, T. J. Wray and B. C. Beane. Four of these were on the effective list. In addition, two preachers have been transferred to other conferences, namely, Rev. W. B. Leachman, of Newport News, and Rev. Charles H. McGhee, of Richmond. Rev. R. M. Beckham has taken up work at Vanderbilt University and Rev. E. L. Peerman will go to China as a missionary. Several of the older brethren have aided their intention to superannuate, and only six young men have made application for admission on trial.

It looks as if the conference will be short of men to take the smaller charges. Of course, it is possible for the Bishop to transfer men from other conferences here, and two are coming from the Western North Carolina Conference—Revs. J. P. Rogers and Wallace R. Evans, the latter having been a member of Virginia Conference several years ago. There are many men in the conference capable of doing the work acceptably and splendidly in any of the larger churches, and what the conference needs is young men to take the smaller works.

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Another serious question to come before the body is that of ministerial supply. Eight preachers have died during the

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